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FM AMEMBASSY OTTAWA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 7505

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INFO AMEMBASSY ANKARA IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: ALLIANCE EAST-WEST STUDY - PUBLIC STATEMENT

REFS: A. STATE 133295, B. USNATO 5367, C. STATE 131755

1. DCM DISCUSSED SUBSTANCE REFTELS WITH EXTAFF ASST.

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UNDER SECRETARY TAYLOR AFTERNOON MAY 25.

2. TAYLOR CONFIRMED, AS WAS EVIDENT AT THIS AFTERNOON'S
SPC MEETING, THAT CANADA SEES ISSUE VERY MUCH AS U.S. DOES.
HE CONSIDERS IT ENTIRELY SENSIBLE TO HAVE AN AGREED PUBLIC
POSITION ON THE EAST-WEST STUDY, AND ONE SUFFICIENTLY
SUBSTANTIVE TO DEMONSTRATE TO THE MEDIA THAT THE PROJECT

UNDERTAKEN AFTER LONDON SUMMIT CAME TO FRUITFUL CONCLUSION.

3. TAYLOR HAS THEREFORE SENT INSTRUCTIONS TO SELECTED MISSIONS (INCLUDING PARIS) TO REHEARSE THE ARGUMENTS URGENTLY ON MAY 26. APPROACH IN ANKARA HAS BEEN LEFT TO AMBASSADOR'S DISCRETION, SINCE TURKISH POSITION IS NOT CLEAR TO EXTAFF.

4. TAYLOR SAID HE FAILS TO UNDERSTAND RATIONALE OF FRENCH ARGUMENT UNLESS IT IS "SHEER CUSSEDNESS".

5. DCM NOTED THAT GUIRINGAUD WILL BE IN WASHINGTON MAY 26 AND EXPECTED TO DISCUSS THIS PROBLEM WITH DEPARTMENT. TAYLOR WOULD BE GRATEFUL FOR ANY LIGHT WE CAN SHED ON FRENCH POSITION AFTER THOSE DISCUSSIONS. ENDERS

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